



# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR

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Treasurer and Tax Collector 

SUBJECT: **UPDATES ON UPCOMING TAX ACTIVITIES**

## **2009-10 PROPERTY TAXES**

This is to advise you that the Department of the Treasurer and Tax Collector will soon be mailing the annual secured property tax bills for 2009-10. It is anticipated that property owners will begin receiving their bills during the first week of October, and mailing will be completed by November 1, 2009.

We will also publish the attached Public Notice of the mailing of the 2009-10 annual tax bills for two consecutive weeks starting October 1, 2009 and mailing the attached press release to over 300 newspaper companies, radio and television stations.

During this time, you may experience an increase in constituent inquiries or visits to your offices. Any inquiries received may be referred to our public counter located at the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration, Room 130 or to the property tax automated telephone system (Proptax) at 1(213) 974-2111 or toll free at 1(888) 807-2111. Beginning October 1, 2009, property tax information will be available on our website at <http://ttc.lacounty.gov> and also at [lacountypropertytax.com](http://lacountypropertytax.com).

## **UNSECURED 2009 ANNUAL NOTICES OF ENFORCEMENT**

We are currently in the process of mailing 64,203 Notices of Enforcement to taxpayers who failed to pay their annual unsecured taxes by the August 31, 2009 delinquency date. The Notice informs them that a ten percent penalty and a \$20.00 cost have been assessed. Furthermore, if payment in full is not received by October 31, 2009, additional penalties and cost will be assessed and a lien will be recorded.

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**DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES REGISTRATION HOLD**

This year, for the first time, Los Angeles County will participate in a program offered by the Department of Motor Vehicles which allows counties to prevent owners of boats and jet skis from renewing their registration if they have an unsecured delinquency. As a result, we will be mailing notices to 8,180 taxpayers informing them that if the delinquency is not paid in full by October 31, 2009, they will not be able to renew their registration.

If you have any special handling needs or questions, please contact me or Donna Doss, Assistant Treasurer and Tax Collector, at (213) 974-2077.

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**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
DEPARTMENT OF TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR**

**PUBLIC NOTICE---PROPERTY TAXES DUE**

**MARK J. SALADINO**, Los Angeles County Tax Collector, pursuant to Sections 2609 and 2610 of the California Revenue and Taxation Code, hereby announces that annual secured property tax bills will be mailed on or before November 1, 2009, to all property owners at the addresses shown on the tax roll. The California Revenue and Taxation Code does not relieve a taxpayer of the responsibility to make timely payments due to failure to receive a tax bill. Therefore, property owners who have not received a bill by November 1, 2009, should immediately contact the Tax Collector's Office by calling 1(213) 974-2111 or 1(888) 807-2111 to request a substitute tax bill. Substitute tax bills are also available at the downtown office, located at the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration, 225 North Hill Street, Room 130, Los Angeles, California 90012, and at each office of the County Assessor. Beginning October 1, 2009, property tax information will also be available on our Website at [lacountypropertytax.com](http://lacountypropertytax.com).

**FIRST INSTALLMENT** of the 2009-2010 taxes is due and payable on November 1, 2009, and will become delinquent if payment is not received by 5:00 p.m. or United States Postal Service (USPS) postmarked by December 10, 2009. Thereafter, a 10% penalty will be added.

**SECOND INSTALLMENT** of the 2009-2010 taxes is due and payable on February 1, 2010, and will become delinquent if payment is not received by 5:00 p.m. or USPS postmarked by April 10, 2010. Since April 10<sup>th</sup> falls on a weekend, payments must be received or postmarked by April 12, 2010. Thereafter, a 10% penalty and a \$10.00 cost will be added.

**BOTH INSTALLMENTS MAY BE PAID** when the first installment is due.

**Payments** may be mailed to the Los Angeles County Tax Collector, Post Office Box 54018, Los Angeles, California 90051 **and USPS POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE THE DELINQUENT DEADLINE** to avoid late penalties. The remittance shall be deemed received on the date shown by the post office cancellation mark stamped upon the envelope containing the remittance.

You may use an independent delivery service that is an Internal Revenue Service designated delivery service (only Fed Ex, UPS and DHL), properly addressed with the required fee prepaid, delivery of which shall not be later than 5 p.m. on the next business day after the effective delinquent date. The remittance shall be deemed received on the date shown on the packing slip or air bill attached to the outside of the envelope or package containing the remittance.

Payments may also be made in person at the County Tax Collector's Office, Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration, 225 North Hill Street, First Floor, Cashier Windows, Los Angeles, California 90012, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, except for holidays.

Beginning Tuesday, December 1, 2009 through Thursday, December 10, 2009, the Treasurer and Tax Collector personnel will also receive payments at 335A East Avenue K-6, Lancaster, California 93535, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Payments must be made by check or money order and accompanied by the payment stub. No cash payments can be accepted at this location.

**Pay Online** – Payments for property taxes can be made online. It is convenient and there is no fee for this service. For more information go to [lacountypropertytax.com](http://lacountypropertytax.com).

**American Express, MasterCard and Visa** – We accept American Express, MasterCard and Visa payments. No pre-registration is required. To use this service you must call 1(888) 473-0835. A service fee is charged by a third party vendor to utilize this service. Please have your current year tax bill and credit card available, as you will need information from both to complete the payment. When you have completed your payment, you will receive a confirmation number – please make note of it.

**Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)** – Property tax payments of \$50,000 and higher must be paid electronically. Pre-registration is necessary. Contact our EFT Section at 1(213) 974-0996 for information.

**Home Banking and Bill Payment Services** – To ensure proper crediting of your payment, enter the 19-digit Electronic Fund Transfer Number from your current tax bill, followed by the number 1 (1<sup>st</sup> installment), 2 (2<sup>nd</sup> installment), or 5 (both installments). The EFT Number changes annually. Ensure that the EFT Number that you enter is the same number reflected on your current tax bill.